AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-59 (Cancelled)

60.   (New) An apparatus comprising:

a portable medium;

a machine-readable medium of the portable medium; and

a template database including a plurality of user preference templates that each correspond to a different electronic device.

61.   (New) The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the template database is stored on the machine-readable medium.

62.   (New) The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the template database comprises an identification template.

63.   (New) The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the template database comprises a user history template.

64.   (New) The apparatus of claim 60, further comprising instructions stored on the machine-readable medium that if executed cause a microprocessor of the portable medium to generate a template.

65.   (New) The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the portable medium comprises a smart card.

66.   (New) The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the machine-readable medium comprises a flash memory.

67.   (New) A system comprising:

an electronic device including a communication device to provide a communication link to a network;

a portable medium coupled with the electronic device;

a machine-readable medium of the portable medium; and

a template database including a plurality of user preference templates that each correspond to a different electronic device.

68.   (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the electronic device is selected from a computer and a television, and wherein the communication device is selected from a modem and a network interface card.

69.   (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the portable medium comprises a smart card, and wherein the smart card is inserted into a slot of the electronic device.

70.   (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the template database is stored on the machine-readable medium.

71.   (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the template database comprises an identification template and a user history template.

72.   (New) The system of claim 67, further comprising instructions stored on the machine-readable medium that if executed cause a microprocessor of the portable medium to generate a template.

73.   (New) A method comprising:

accessing, at an electronic device, a portable medium including a machine-readable medium having a template database stored thereon; and

identifying user preference information associated with the electronic device by accessing a user preference template corresponding to the electronic device from the template database.

74.   (New) The method of claim 73, further comprising storing a template of the database on the electronic device.

75.   (New) The method of claim 73, further comprising analyzing data from multiple devices by using corresponding device templates.

76.   (New) The method of claim 73, further comprising translating the user preference information into a format recognized by the electronic device.

77.   (New) The method of claim 73, further comprising dynamically updating the user preference information, with the electronic device, based on user pattern.

78.   (New) The method of claim 73, further comprising:

tracking user pattern and gathering usage data;

analyzing the usage data;

configuring the analyzed data; and

dynamically updating the user preference information by retrieving a user history template corresponding to the electronic device from a template database, and populating the user history template with the usage data.

79.   (New) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon user preference information and instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to:

access the user preference information; and

identify user preference information associated with an electronic device by selecting and using a user preference template corresponding to the electronic device.

80.   (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 79, wherein the instructions further comprise instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to:

store a template of the database on the electronic device.

81.   (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 79, wherein the instructions further comprise instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to:

analyze data from multiple devices by using corresponding device templates.

82.   (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 79, wherein the instructions further comprise instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to:

translate the user preference information into a format recognized by the electronic device.

83.   (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 79, wherein the instructions further comprise instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to:

dynamically update the user preference information, with the electronic device, based on user pattern.

84.   (New) The apparatus of claim 60, further comprising credit card information stored on the machine-readable medium.

85.   (New) The method of claim 73, further comprising accessing credit card information stored on the machine-readable medium.

86.   (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 79, wherein the instructions further comprise instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to:

access credit card information stored on the machine-readable medium.